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ADAMSTOWN AREA LIBRARY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | JANUARY 2023

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## WINTER READING WONDERLAND!





Are you looking for a fun way to kick off your 2023 reading goals? Do you need some help getting your kids to sit down and read when winter boredom hits? This year's Winter Reading Programs have you covered! Readers age 5-15 can participate in Slapshot's Winter Reading Challenge (courtesy of the Reading Royals) and readers 18+ can participate in our Winter Reading Bingo! More information about each program can be found in the Event Calendar on page 2.

## **HOME DELIVERY**

If you or a loved one is unable to visit the Library, we will arrange for free delivery of books and other materials. Contact us at 717-484-4200 or info@adamstown.lib.pa.us.

Your library card brings the world to you! Get yours today at adamstownarealibrary.org/get-a-library-card

## SPECIAL HOLIDAY HOURS

#### MONDAY JANUARY 2ND

Closed in observance of New Year's Day.

#### MONDAY JANUARY 16TH

Open 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Monday: 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM
Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM
Wednesday - 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM
Thursday: 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday: 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM
Sunday: CLOSED

#### **TRUSTEES**

Anne Williams, *President* & Jess McManimen, *Vice President* Brad Rauch, Hope Schmids, JJ Valerio, Cindy Mellinger, & Curt Unruh

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### 31 SAT (DEC) & 2 MON LIBRARY CLOSED

The library will be closed Saturday, December 31st and Monday, January 2nd in observation of the New Year.

## 1 SUNDAY

## WINTER READING BINGO @ THE LIBRARY

Through January 31st, pick up a Bingo card at the library, cozy up with some good books this winter, and enter to win a beautiful winter themed prize basket! For ages 18 and up.

#### READING ROYALS WINTER READING CHALLENGE @ THE LIBRARY

Through February 25th, participants can read 20 minutes a day for 20 days to receive a free kid's ticket to the March 5th Reading Royals game (which is also their Nickelodeon's Blue's Clues Day!). The Reading Royals will also give the library \$5 for each adult ticket purchased when redeeming a kid's ticket. For ages 5-15.

#### BRIGHTEN SOMEONE'S DAY PACKETS @ THE LIBRARY

Through March 31st, help us encourage belonging and inclusion with our communities' senior residents! Pick up a packet, bring out your artistic side, and return beautiful colored pictures to the library so we can pass them on to our valued friends. For ages 3-15.

### 4 WEDNESDAY

## TECH Q&A @ THE LIBRARY (4:30 - 6:30 PM)

Drop in at the library to get one-on-one help with your devices. Bring questions like "How do I attach my resume to an email?", "How do I download audiobooks to my Kindle?", or "Can you show me how to use Microsoft Word?" or anything else that perplexes you! Tech help and software training is also available other times by appointment. For adults and older students.

### 6 FRIDAY

#### PUZZLE PALOOZA @ THE LIBRARY (9:30 AM - 1:00 PM)

Every Friday in January, different puzzles will be on tables in the library! Jigsaw puzzles help to develop finger strength, perseverance, and problemsolving skills. Stop in to help your library friends put one together! For all ages.

## 9 MONDAY

## DROP-IN STEAM @ THE LIBRARY (2:00-5:00 PM)

Explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math through games and activities with Miss Maribeth during LEGO club and an accompanying learning exercise. Join us for January's winter creations theme! An adult is required to accompany children under 8.

### 10 TUESDAY

#### GENEALOGY GROUP @ THE LIBRARY (6:30 PM)

This group meets once a month for lively discussions, research help, or short talks from genealogy researcher Ken McCrea. Join others with an interest in researching family history and learn more about online resources for genealogy research. For adults and older students.



## 12 THURSDAY DAYTIME DISCOVERERS @ THE LIBRARY (1:00 PM)

Are you doing "at-home" learning? Join Miss Jess for exciting and educational programs on the 2nd Thursday of the month. This month, the Clover Buds program from the 4-H Club will be joining us at the library! Event locations will vary. For families.

#### CRAFT PROJECT @ THE LIBRARY (3:00 PM)

In this free craft workshop, learn how to make your own simple macramé plant hanger. All supplies and instruction will be provided. For adults and older teens. Registration is requested.



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### 16 MONDAY

#### MONDAY MARATHON READING @ THE LIBRARY (II:00AM - 5:00PM)

Drop in and join us in front of the warm and cozy fireplace as we encourage a love of reading with Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone! Snacks provided. All ages welcome.



## 17 TUESDAY ALMOST PERFECT CRIMES VIA

#### ALMOST PERFECT CRIMES VI ZOOM (6:30 PM)

Join Miss Jess as we discover "Whodunit" together! Upon registration through the Events page on our website, you will receive a Zoom link to the event as well as the Mini Murder Mystery Story. Additional clues and evidence will be revealed during our meeting as we try to solve the crime together. Starting again this month on the third Tuesday of each month. For teens and adults due to some graphic content.

### 20 FRIDAY

## STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER @ THE LIBRARY

On Friday, January 20th, your stuffed friends will dance, party, and rock the night away! Drop them off at the library any day from January 16th - 21st, and pick them up on Saturday, January 21st or the following week. Pictures of their crazy antics will be posted on Facebook for you to enjoy. For children.

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### 23 MONDAY

#### ANIMALS IN WINTER @ THE LIBRARY (3:00 PM)

Join us to discover what different animals do this time of year! Learn about the behaviors of animals that stay active to survive the winter! Explore the life cycle of the hibernators, and the ones that migrate south to avoid the cold! Take a hands-on look at furs and other unique features that help them get through Winter! Presented by the Lancaster County Parks and Recreation Department. For families.

## 27 FRIDAY

#### PUZZLE PALOOZA @ THE LIBRARY 19:30 AM - 1:00 PM)

Every Friday in January, different puzzles will be on tables in the library! Jigsaw puzzles help to develop finger strength, perseverance, and problem-solving skills. Stop in to help your library friends put one together! For all ages.

#### 30 MONDAY BLOCK PARTY @ THE LIBRARY [10:00 - 11:00 AM]

This is a free play session with blocks, vehicles, people, animals, and more. Children will have the opportunity to build, experiment, manipulate objects, work with others, count, measure, and build vocabulary. For ages 2 & up.

## PASSPORT PROCESSING

#### AVAILABLE TO SCHEDULE IN PERSON OR ON THE PHONE

The Adamstown Area Library is a passport office for the United States Department of State. Passports and passport photos are processed by appointment only. All passport processing is done in privacy. Appointments are made for Tuesdays - Saturdays. Please call the library at 717-484-4200 to schedule an appointment, or talk to one of our staff at the front desk during your next visit.

# JOIN THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE AT YOUR LIBRARY!

Would you like to have a voice in charting the direction of your Library while serving your community? If so, consider a seat on the Library Board of Trustees! AAL trustees serve three-year terms, with meetings taking place on the second Wednesday evening of each month. Some of the responsibilities of a Library Trustee include:

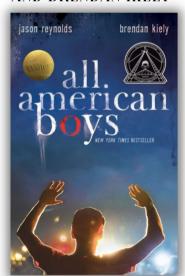
- Creating and developing the mission of the Library
- Securing adequate funding for the Library's services
- Exercising fiduciary responsibility for the use of funds
- Adopting policies and rules regarding Library governance and

For more information, pick up a copy of the brochure "Why Become a Library Trustee?" at the Circulation Desk., or contact Library administration at 717-484-4200.

# BANNED BOOK SPOTLIGHT

With book bans at an all-time high, it's more important than ever to interact with materials that challenge and enlighten us. We believe our motto "Educate, engage, empower" aligns with the values of those pushing back against materials (written in many cases by marginalized authors) being restricted from public access. Check out each month's banned book from the Adamstown Area Library.

#### JANUARY'S BANNED BOOK: ALL AMERICAN BOYS BY JASON REYNOLDS AND BRENDAN KIELY



"As a black man and a white man, both writers and educators, we came together to cowrite a book about how systemic racism and police brutality affect the lives of young people in America, in order to create an important, unique, and honest work that would give young people and the people who educate them a tool for talking about these difficult but absolutely vital conversations." - Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely.

# ONLINE RESOURCE GUIDE

## AVAILABLE TO YOU THROUGH YOUR LIBRARY CARD!

Your library card isn't just for books! Under the Learn & Research tab on our website, the barcode on your library card gives you access to these trustworthy online databases and many more!

## FEATURED SKILLUP PA

 SkillUp PA is a database that offers free online job skills training for PA residents. Courses include soft skills and communication, Microsoft Office, QuickBooks, project management, and more!





Heritage Quest: Access census records, city directories, and more!

**Overdrive:** Borrow digital content (like ebooks and audiobooks) anytime, anywhere.





Tumblebooks: Puzzles, videos, and animated picture books for kids.

Flipster: Magazine database optimized for browsing on mobile devices.





BookFlix: Pairs classic video storybooks with related nonfiction ebooks to help build a love of reading in children.

Pennsylvania CareerLink: Free help to job seekers and employers for a variety of employment related needs.



## FRIDAY JANUARY 27TH IS INT'L HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

Pay respects to those who were persecuted by and stood firmly against the Nazis with books chronicling their stories.







The Holocaust Chronicle by Marilyn J Harran When Time Stopped by Ariana Neumann The Art of Resistance by Justus Rosenberg







In the Garden of Beasts by Erik Larson
A Bookshop in Berlin by Françoise Frenkel
The Holocaust Museum in Washington by Jeshajahu
Weinberg







Irena's Children by Tilan J Mazzeo A Survivor's Story by Severin Fayerman The Zookeeper's Wife by Diane Ackerman







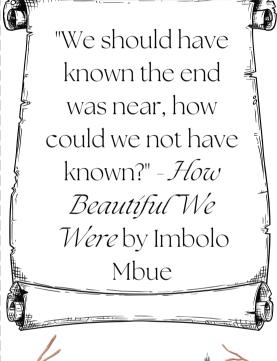
Castles Burning: A Child's Life in War by Magda Denes

999: The Extraordinary Young Women of the First Official Transport to Auschwitz by Heather Dunne Macadam

Suzanne's Children by Anne Nelson

## HOOK, LINE, & SINKER

In this feature in our monthly newsletter, we're introducing a book by just the author, title, and first line - and if it hooks you in, stop in to the library to check it out for yourself!





## MJWTK MISS JESS WANTS TO KNOW!

Teens, we want your opinion! Stop in at the Young Adult and Teen Graphic Novel section of the library for the question of the month, and use a sticker to vote for your answer! This January, participate in "Social Media Showdown." Results will be posted on our Facebook page at the end of the month. Stay tuned for a new matchup each month to vote on!

## YOUNG AT HEART

#### IST AND 3RD WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH (9:00 - 11:00 AM)

REAL Life Community Services invites you to Young at Heart, with free events for anyone age 60 and up. Join us at the library for coffee, chatting, games, crafts, and more on the first and third Wednesday of every month. Dates for January are the 4th and the 18th. For more information call 717-336-7797 or visit REALLCS.org.



# FRIENDS' BOOK SALE RETURNS TUESDAYS FROM 11:30 AM UNTIL 5:00 PM

The Friends' Book Sale held in our Community Room will be back and better than ever in the New Year! The sale will resume on January 17th. In the meantime, the Friends are still accepting donations, and have carts placed outside of the Community Room for donated materials to be placed on. Thank you all for your generous donations and patronage, and we can't wait to see you at the sale through the year!

## YOUTH PROGRAMMING

## TWINKLING STARS BABY STORYTIME EVERY THURSDAY AT 10:00 AM

Join us Thursday mornings for simple stories, rhymes, puppets, songs, and fingerplays. Bring your 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten packets to help you achieve your goal! For ages birth-2 with an adult. On January 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th.

## THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS TODDLER TIME EVERY THURSDAY AT 11:00 AM

Join us Thursday mornings for stories, songs, and fingerplays, followed by an easy craft and free play. Bring your 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten packets to help you achieve your goal! For ages 2-3 with an adult. On January 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th.

## BUDDING BOOKWORMS PRESCHOOL STORYTIME EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 10:00 AM AND 11:00 AM

Join us for Budding Bookworms Preschool Storytime with Miss Maribeth. Children will participate in read-alouds, songs, activities, and crafts. For ages 3-6 with an adult. On January 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th.

#### TRANSPORTATION THEMED I-SPY WINDOW GAME

All through January and February, stop in at the library to "spy with your little eye" all of the fun things on the window to the Children's Area. When you finish, come inside to receive your congratulatory sticker! Items on the window change weekly.

#### TAKE-HOME ACTIVITY PACKS

1st Monday: American Girl Bag (Due to the Library being closed on January 1st, pickup for this bag will be on Tuesday the 2nd)

2nd Monday: LEGO Activity Bag

3rd Monday: Teen Take-and-Make Bag (Beaded Snowflake Ornament)
Supplies of each pack are limited, so please take one American Girl and
LEGO bag per family and one Take-and-Make bag per person.



#### STORY WINDOW

Stop and read *Thomas and the*School Trip by Wilbert Awdry as
you walk into the library! Tell a
staff member at the Circulation
Desk the answer to the trivia
question at the end of the book
to win a prize!



#### 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Make it your New Year's
Resolution to get your child
ready for kindergarten by
developing their literacy skills
with the 1,000 Books Before
Kindergarten Program! Pick up
a folder from Miss Jess or at the
Circulation Desk to help your
budding bookworm blossom!

